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Subject: 2012 Pennsylvania Building Code Advocacy Coordination Conference Call/Webex--Referral from Roland Hall of ICC

Roland Hall from ICC put me in contact with you as members of the coalition that resisted the 2011 changes to the Pennsylvania building and energy code adoption process, what became Act 1 of 2011. I do public strategies and legislative advocacy in the area of energy efficiency policy, and I am organizing a coalition to resist the recent recommendations of the Review and Advisory Council ("RAC"), the committee responsible for updating Pennsylvania's building and energy codes.

At the time Act 1 was passed, many believed that the result of the changes to the code adoption process would weaken building and energy codes, and make new code adoption practically impossible. This prediction is about to come true. As you may already know, on January 18, the RAC, voted to reject the 2012 updates to Pennsylvania's building and energy codes, and to recommend that the Pennsylvania legislature extend the code adoption cycle in Pennsylvania from 3- to 6- years. If adopted, the RAC's decision means that the 2009 building and energy codes will be in effect until at least 2018, missing both the 2012 and 2015 code updates. I am attaching to this email a short alert I did on the changes which provides a bit more background.

You know how important up to date codes are, and the consequences of this decision for Pennsylvania from both a health/safety perspective and an energy efficiency perspective.

I am organizing a conference call with a wide range of stakeholder groups (both state and national) to mobilize opposition to the RAC's decision.

The call is set for **April 10, 2012 at 12:00 pm.** By March 30, I will circulate a background document, an agenda and proposed "straw man" advocacy plan to discuss at the meeting.

Please RSVP to this email, and I will send you an Outlook calendar event with information on a WebEx so that we can go through documents as needed.

Thanks and best regards,

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